11/27/70

Dear Ed,

No surprises in your 11/24, except, possibly, that you do not refer to anything Jim may have said of Mark Lane. Of that I've been wondering. Schoeneman is a surprise. But not a major one. I didn't know they'd had any contact. It may explain why Ralph fell silent with me.

Salandria is a fellow paranoid. That is no surprise. There is a paranoidal and a personal closeness with Sahl, so that I'd expect.

Jim did suspect Turner of being an agent, as he did Boxley, at the same time and for the same reason. The last real conversation I had with Jim is one in which I tried to tell him that despite my personal dislike for Turner and persuasion that he is dishonest, he is not an agent. ... This is the Bradley origin, with the pair of them working together, each backstopping the other-with trash.

The book seems to have attracted no critical attention. Perhaps that is just as good.

Best regards,